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SUBJECT: Roller Transport Processor (24-Inch)

TASK/PROBLEM

1. Design and fabricate a self-threading photographic processor capable of processing sheets up to 24 inches wide.

DISCUSSION

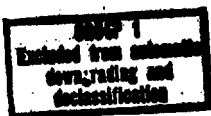
2. Schedule changes have been made as requested to complete PAR 215 equipment ahead of PAR 214. Design of the equipment is now 70 percent completed and released for fabrication. Present effort is being concentrated on the completion of the pumping and control panel assemblies. These will be similar to those described in the PAR 214 report.

3. Provision has been made for including a hypo clearing bath in the washing cycle; however, it should be pointed out that the use of hypo clearing agents with machine processing is generally ineffective. Preliminary testing on a standard Versamat Processor indicates no gain when three tanks of wash and one tank of clearing agent are used in place of four tanks of wash, in a two minute washing cycle.

PLANNED ACTIVITY

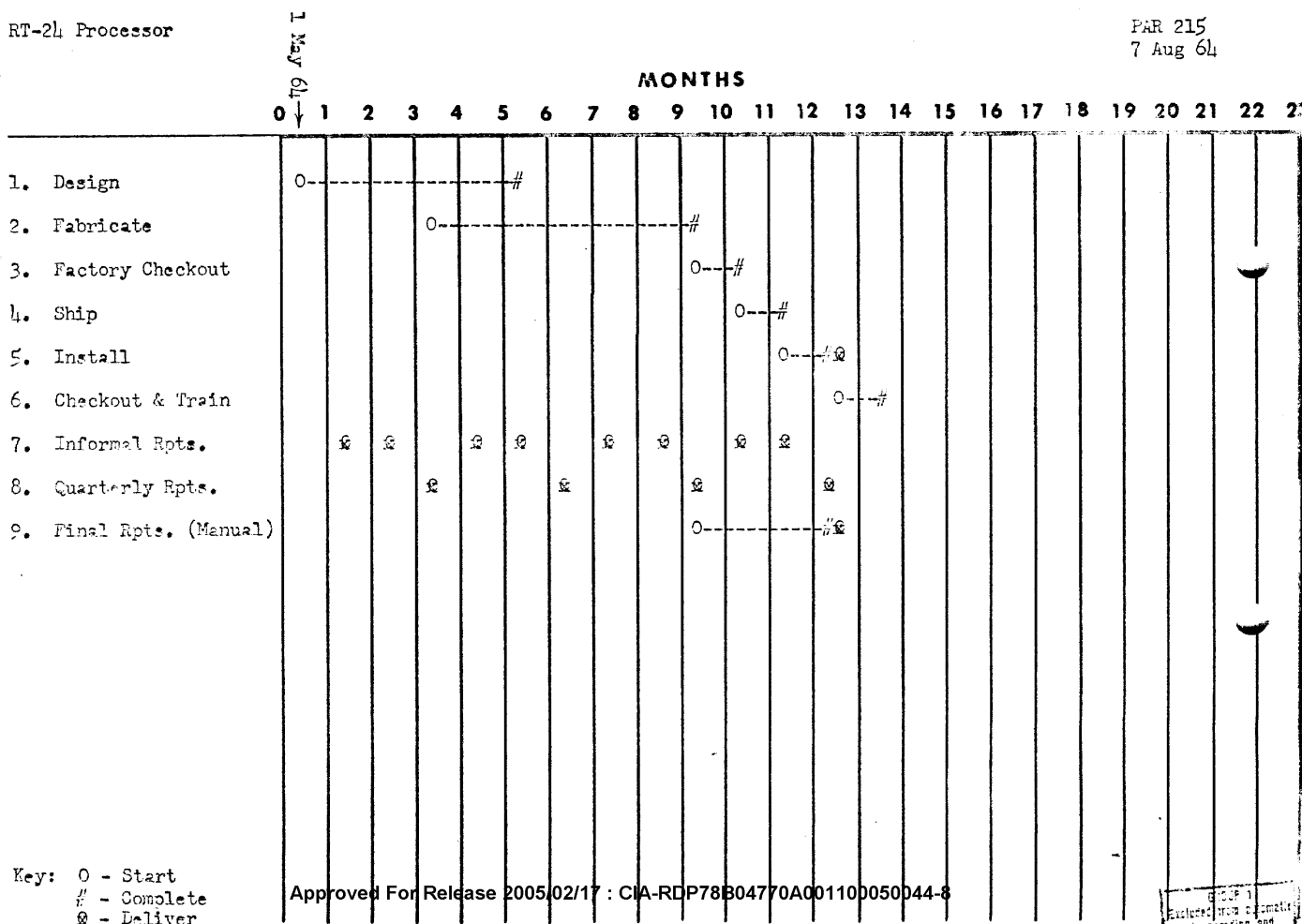
4. Design effort will continue at the present high level until all shop releases have been completed. In spite of continuous monitoring of shop schedules, the early March target for fabrication of the equipment is questionable.

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